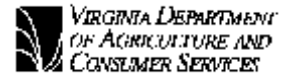




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CHICKEN AND EGGS : LAYERS ON HAND AND EGGS PRODUCED, VIRGINIA, JULY 2000-2001

Item		2000	2001
Layers During July	(thousand)	3,465	3,187
All Layers 1/			
Eggs per 100 during July	(thousand)	2,020	2,040
All Layers 1/			
Eggs Produced During July			
All Layers	(million)	70	65
Table Eggs	(million)	34	33
Hatching Eggs	(million)	36	32

1/ Includes all layers and eggs produced in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size.

TURKEYS: NUMBER RAISED IN VIRGINIA 2000-2001

2000	2001	2001 as % of 2000
-thousand head-	-thousand head-	percent
25,500	24,000	94

HOGS AND PIGS: MONTHLY SOWS AND GILT INVENTORY AND NUMBER BRED, MONTHLY FARROWINGS, AND PIG CROP, UNITED STATES, DEC.- AUGUST 2000-2001 1/

Date	Sow/Gilt Inventory	Sows Bred 2/	Sows Farrowing	Pig Crop	Pigs per Litter
		-Thousand Head -			-Number-
December 2000	6,090	1,185	934	8,153	8.73
January 2001	6,030	1,169	941	8,244	8.76
February	6,031	1,142	950	8,379	8.82
March	6,065	1,200	977	8,627	8.83
April	5,999	1,170	941	8,337	8.86
May	5,986	1,165	960	8,580	8.94
June	6,013	1,197	972	8,709	8.96
July	6,015	1,155	955	8,504	8.91
August	6,015				

1/ 1st of month inventory. 2/ Bred during month.

**FARM LABOR: EMPLOYMENT AND WAGE RATES, VIRGINIA-NORTH CAROLINA AND U.S. 1/
APRIL 9-15, 2001 , WITH COMPARISONS**

FARM EMPLOYMENT	VA-NC			UNITED STATES		
	July 9-15, 2000	April 8-14, 2001	July 8-14, 2001	July 9-15, 2000	April 8-14, 2001	July 8-14, 2001
	-1,000 -			-1,000 -		
Hired Workers Employed 2/	56	28	62	1,084	804	1,039
150 days or more	33	23	36	724	627	722
149 days or less	23	5	26	360	177	317
Agricultural Services						
Workers Working on Farms	3/	3/	3/	293	215	335
Hired Farm & Service	3/	3/	3/	1,377	1,019	1,374
Hours Worked 2/						
Hired	37.5	39.1	36.7	40.0	40.2	39.9
Wage Rates For All Hired Workers 2/4/						
	7.11	7.70	7.79	7.93	8.31	8.29
Type of Worker: 2/4/						
Field	6.66	7.32	7.22	7.37	7.61	7.70
Livestock	7.97	7.39	7.89	7.68	8.01	7.89
Field & Livestock	6.89	7.34	7.39	7.43	7.71	7.75

*Revised. 1/ Excludes Alaska. 2/ Excludes Agricultural Service workers. 3/ Insufficient data for this category. 4/ Benefits, such as housing and meals, are provided some workers but the values are not included in the wage rates.

COMMERCIAL LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTER AND TOTAL LIVeweIGHTS, JULY 2000-2001 1/

Class	Number Slaughtered			Total Liveweight		
	July 2000	June 2001	July 2001	July 2000	June 2001	July 2001
	-thousand head-			-thousand pounds-		
Virginia						
Cattle	1.0	1.4	0.4	1,002	1,520	353
Calves	--	0.1	--	--	17	--
Hogs	271.9	284.0	303.5	68,362	72,472	77,938
Sheep & Lamb	0.9	1.3	0.6	79	125	59
United States						
Cattle	2,962.2	3,120.3	2,940.5	3,613,577	3,738,094	3,574,905
Calves	98.8	77.3	83.2	30,172	25,712	25,924
Hogs	7,356.6	7,483.2	7,446.1	1,906,941	1,968,813	1,936,261
Sheep & Lamb	243.2	232.7	242.2	31,587	32,738	34,014

1/ Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter.

VIRGINIA: COMMERCIAL RED MEAT PRODUCTION 1/

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	July 2000	June 2001	July 2001	July 2001 as % of: 2/	
				July 2000	June 2001
	-million pounds-			-percent-	
Virginia	51.8	55.5	59.0	114	106

1/ Includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton. 2 / Percentages based on unrounded data.

All Mushroom Sales Down 2 Percent, Value Down 1 Percent

Sales of the 2000-01 U.S. mushroom crop were 853 million pounds, 2 percent below 1999-2000 and down 1 percent from two seasons ago. Value of sales of the U.S. mushroom crop was \$863 million, down 1 percent from 1999-2000 and slightly below two seasons ago. The number of growers, at 264, is down 40 from last season. Average price was \$1.01 per pound, up 1 cent from the previous season.

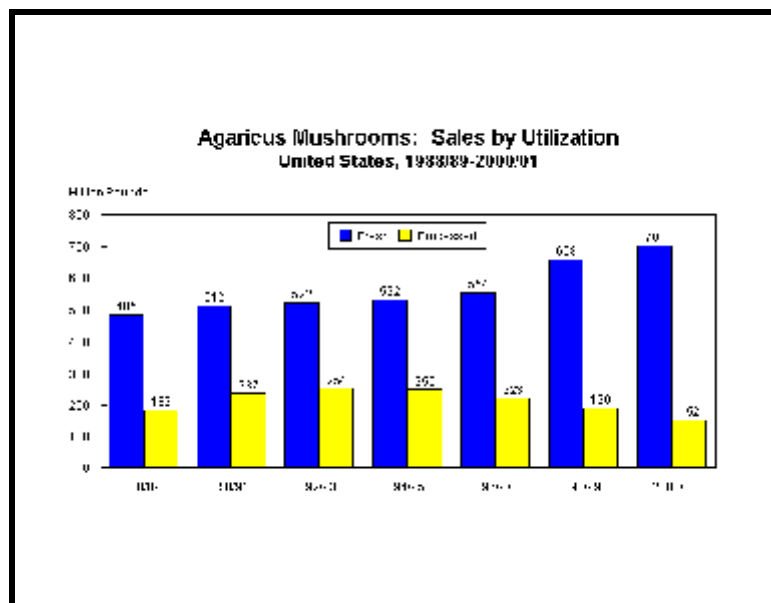
Sales of Agaricus mushrooms for fresh market were a record high 687 million pounds, up 3 percent from the previous record high set last season. Sales of Agaricus mushrooms for processing were 152 million pounds, 18 percent below last season and the lowest since 1970-71 when 149 million pounds were processed. Value of sales of specialty mushrooms, at \$42.7 million, was up 10 percent from last season.

Agaricus and Specialty Mushrooms: Number of Growers, Volume of Sales, Price, and Value of Sales, July 1, 1998 - June 30, 2001

Year	Growers ¹	All Sales		
		Volume of Sales	Price per Pound ²	Value of Sales
	<i>Number</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>Dollars</i>	<i>1,000 Dollars</i>
1998-99	341	860,762	1.010	866,808
1999-00	304	867,124	1.000	867,351
2000-01	264	853,350	1.010	862,936

¹ Number of growers counted once if growing both Agaricus and specialty.

² Prices for mushrooms are the average prices producers receive at the point of first sale, commonly referred to as the average price as sold. For example, if in a given State, part of the fresh mushrooms are sold F.O.B. packed by growers, part are sold bulk to brokers or repackers, and some are sold retail at roadside stands, the mushroom average price as sold is a weighted average of the average price for each method of sale.



PRICES RECEIVED BY FARMERS 1/

Commodity	Unit	Virginia			United States			Parity Prices Aug. 2001
		Aug 2000	July 2001	Aug 2001	Aug 2000	July 2001	July 2001	
- Dollars -					- Dollars -			
Wheat (Winter) 2/	Bu.	1.89	2.31	2.26	2.31	2.61	2.67	9.65
Corn	Bu.	1.91	2.19	2.23	1.52	1.88	1.93	6.58
Barley (All)	Bu.	1.43	1.24	1.36	2.23	2.00	2.08	6.44
Hay, Baled: All 3/	Ton	68.50	88.00	82.50	80.50	96.30	97.70	--
Alfalfa 3/	Ton	100.00	115.00	105.00	83.90	105.00	105.00	--
Other 3/	Ton	65.00	85.00	80.00	68.50	72.50	74.00	--
All Tobacco	Cwt.	1.855	1.940	1.840	1.695	1.865	1.790	--
Peanuts	Lb.	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Soybeans	Bu.	4.57	4.98	4.93	4.45	4.79	4.87	14.30
Apples, For Fresh Use	Lb.	--	--	--	.195	.144	.169	.488
Potatoes	Cwt.	--	7.15	--	5.56	7.83	7.43	13.60
Beef Cattle	Cwt.	68.80	66.00	66.80	65.50	71.90	70.90	158.00
Cows	Cwt.	37.70	41.00	40.00	39.00	42.90	43.40	--
Steers and Heifers	Cwt.	85.50	80.00	78.90	68.00	75.00	73.70	--
Calves	Cwt.	105.00	90.00	91.00	106.00	107.00	106.00	208.00
Hogs (All)	Cwt.	7/	7/	7/	43.80	51.70	51.70	103.00
Milk: All, Wholesale 4/	Cwt.	15.20	17.90	18.00	12.50	16.20	16.30	32.10
Fluid Consumption	Cwt.	15.20	17.90	18.00	12.50	16.30	16.40	--
Manufacture	Cwt.	7/	7/	7/	10.70	15.00	15.20	--
Market Eggs 3/ 5/	Doz.	.320	.310	.230	.501	.350	.384	1.55
Broilers, Live 6/	Lb.	7/	7/	7/	.330	.420	.420	--
Turkeys, Live 3/ 6/	Lb.	.450	.390	.390	.432	.386	.388	9.58

-- No sales indicated. 1/ Current month prices are mid-month prices, other months are entire month prices except where noted. 2/ Parity price is for All Wheat. 3/ All prices are mid-month. 4/ Before deductions for hauling and govt. withholding, but includes bulk tank, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies. 5/ Includes eggs sold retail by the producer. 6/ Equivalent liveweight returns to producers for most states. 7/ Discontinued.

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